

Capitol Cadillac Sign Sparks Controversy

by Elaine Skolnik

The location and design of the Capitol Cadillac sign on the Golden Triangle sparked a spirited - and sometimes emotional debate at the May 7 city council meeting. Councilmen Thomas White, Charles Schwan and Gil Weidenfeld were irritated with Cadillac's recent revision of its site plan that added a 25 foot tall sign near the Beltway - an action that reversed the assurances of Cadillac's representatives in 1977 that only a low-lying sign would be placed in front of the building.

Mayor Richard Pilski and Councilman Richard Castaldi thought council should be more realistic since, in their opinion, it would be futile to fight a sign that was almost certain to get the approval of county officials. The automobile dealership is expected to open in July.

A motion by Castaldi to recommend approval of the sign, provided (1) some decorative shrubbery was planted around the base of the sign and (2) the other sign designated for the front of the building be deleted from the site plan, was supported only by Pilski. An alternative motion offered by Schwan passed. That motion recommended that the sign be disapproved, but if the Prince Georges Planning Board approved it anyway, it do so with the conditions included in Castaldi's motion - that shrubbery be planted and the other sign removed.

At their April 16 meeting, council members unanimously (Pilski was absent) moved to express to the Planning Board strong opposition to the proposed sign on the basis that it was inconsistent with the overall quality development proposed for the property and a total reversal of design concepts

previously put forth by representatives of the property owners.

Appearing before council on May 7 was John J. Curlett, vice-president of Capitol Cadillac, who showed council plans of an 8½ by 10 foot sign mounted on two poles (a total of 25 feet high). The white, plexi-glass sign face would be (1) illuminated from within on both sides with the words Capitol Cadillac and an emblem printed in blue and (2) located about 400 feet to the east of the Cadillac building.

Curlett told council that the sign was needed to attract customers and that "a standard corporate identification sign" was "part and parcel of the General Motors franchise agreement." He said, "I can't sell my first Cadillac without a sign . . . It is the standard corporate identification sign that same sign contractually obligated 8,500 dealers as of the first of this month."

There was some question as to whether Curlett meant that he was tied to the particular sign proposed. He said there was flexibility in sign selection and noted that the choice of a sign was dependent upon the size of the facility, the number of cars sold, etc.

White reminded Curlett that a Cadillac representative (no longer with the firm) had assured council at the time of site-plan approval in 1977 that there would be no sign facing the Beltway. "Now," he said, "we are faced with a sign at a place we were sure we wouldn't get one."

Schwan noted that council was skeptical when they were told there would be no sign near the Beltway and that the grassy areas near the Beltway were for display circles. "Our cynicism has been reinforced," he said. (The display areas have been deleted from the revised site plans.)

Weidenfeld added, "We should not arbitrarily cast aside the ori-

ginal understanding."

Curlett apologized for the former Cadillac employee who "put the sign on the retaining wall" in front of the building. "A sign near the building detracts from the building which is clothed in subdued colors," he said, adding "we want the landscape to keep the bucolic affect of Greenbelt park and are not going to tinsel the area with red, white and blue sign . . . The building is its own sign on Greenbelt Road."

Castaldi said, "If the (former Cadillac representative) made a mistake, o.k. it was made . . . let's make sure we have an aesthetic design that won't detract" because the sign sets the standard for others coming into the area. He thought the proposed sign was "clean, with good lines" and would not contribute to sign pollution.

White said he saw no difference between the proposed sign and the garrish signs to which the city has always objected. He countered, "if council acquiesces to this sign, it does an injustice and damage to the Golden Triangle which is supposed to be different." He feared that the sign would adversely affect the tone of the development.

Capitol Cadillac is the first business to be constructed on the Golden Triangle. The 55-acre Triangle tract is considered unique because the Prince Georges County Council pinned a "high quality" label on the property (located on Greenbelt Road between Kenilworth Avenue and the Capital Beltway). Additionally, the Prince Georges County Planning Board must review an individual parcel site prior to the issuance of each building permit, with the city providing input at this stage.

The Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission staff is expected to make its recommendation on the proposed sign this week. The matter will come before the Planning Board on May 24.

City Budget Work-Sessions Completed Public Hearing Scheduled for Tuesday City Reviews Capital Improvements

by Virginia Beauchamp

By the standards of other years, the amount set aside in the city manager's budget proposal this year for the Capital Improvement Fund is chicken feed. Of an original \$950,000 bond issue voted by Greenbelt citizens in 1969, a balance remains of only \$20,775 in unallocated funds including next year's interest. From this fund city council members, in a budget work session on May 8, agreed that development of the old landfill athletic field complex or as it is now called - the City Ballfield Park - should take the highest priority. Some \$41,200 budgeted for the current year is being utilized to complete the remodeling of the original section of the Municipal Building for use by the Police Department. Any funds not spent by July 1 will be reallocated to the new year.

Council perusal, however, of a summary of improvements to the city from the 1969 bond issue stimulated much discussion. By using some portions of the fund to match open space grants from both the Federal and State governments and by augmenting it with other Federal grants and allocations by private developers, city manager James K. Giese "has parlayed," in the words of councilman Charles Schwan, "the last bond resolution to more than twice its original amount." In fact, something over \$2,000,000 has been spent over the last 10 years.

Since 1969 the city has acquired parts of Parcels 1 and 2, Parcel 7, Parcel 8, three acres of Parcel 15, the old Lutheran Church property

(now the location of Green Ridge House), two acres of the Smith-Ewing property, and the Springhill Lake golf course. The Braden Field tennis courts have been rebuilt with four new courts added and additions have been made to the Fire Station, the Youth Center and the Municipal Building. The latter two received major renovations. Green Ridge House and the Springhill Lake Recreation Building have been constructed, and Southway and parts of Crescent Rd. and other city streets have been rebuilt.

Retreat Planned

In looking over the list, council members were clearly impressed See RETREAT, p3, col3

Revenue Picture Rosy, Maybe

by Mary Lou Williamson

Council may have more money available in the budget than originally thought. Quite a lot more, if figures given to the city by the State prove to be true. Months ago, the State-certified assessed valuation for the City of Greenbelt as of January 1, 1979, was \$95,000,000. Last week the city staff was given an updated, or corrected, version of that January 1 figure - \$108,000,000.

At the budget work session on revenues, Wednesday, May 6, City Manager James K. Giese told an incredulous council that if the new figure holds, they could reduce the tax rate by 11c, to 85c.

Assistant Manager Dennis Pien-dak has been carefully checking the figures all week looking for errors. So far, Pien-dak told the News Review Tuesday, he hasn't found any major ones. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld, at the work session, expressed the sentiment of both council and staff when he said: "Seems uncomfortable to bank on it." See REVENUE, p3, col3

Ten Candidates Compete For Greenbelt Homes Board

by Mary Lou Williamson

A total of ten candidates will compete for the five openings on the board of directors at the Greenbelt Homes, Inc., annual meeting and election on Wednesday and Thursday, May 23 and 24. The annual meeting will begin at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Center School auditorium.

Bettie G. Denson, Ed James, Charles J. Kramer, Walter Hansen, and William Offenbacher are each seeking first terms. They are joined by the five incumbents: Donald J. Volk, Bobbi McCarthy, Stephen Polaschik, Margaret Hogensen and Wayne F. Williams.

Also to be elected is a three-member Audit Committee, for a term of one year. The only incumbent to run for reelection is James Simon. He is joined by newcomers Joseph Jenkins and Hans E. Jorgensen.

On the advice of GHI Counsel Al Ginsburg, the Nominations and Elections Committee declined to approve the candidacy of Alice James, running for the Audit Committee because her husband, Ed James, is running for the board. GHI by-laws prohibit any relative of a board member from taking an office or position for which there is remuneration.

Business Meeting

The business meeting is centered around reports from the president, treasurer, and audit committee and speeches by the candidates. There are no controversial items of business appearing on this year's agenda. (No action may be taken by the membership on items not listed on the agenda.) There is a proposal that some limited amount of reimbursement be made to the members of the Nominations and Elections Committee. At present only Board and Audit Committee members receive remuneration, no other committee members.

The board has adopted some new rules for this year's annual meeting in an effort to avoid the excessively long and frequently acrimonious meetings of past years. Sufficient personnel will be on hand to expedite issuance of voting cards. The meeting, therefore, should start on time. Time limits of 3 minutes will be placed on individual speak-

ers unless waived by majority vote of the membership, and a 30 minute limit will be imposed on each item of business. The board hopes that these rules will allow the business meeting to end by 10:30 p.m.

Voting

All voting this year will be by machine in the city council chambers on the second floor of the municipal building next to Center School. There is an elevator. Voting will begin at a time to be announced by the chairman. (The Council Chambers will be in use by another group till 9.) Voting will continue until 11 p.m. or one hour after the meeting ends, whichever comes first on Wednesday evening, and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday.

**GHI
Annual
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
WEDNESDAY,
MAY 23, 1979
8:00 p.m.**

Greenbelt Center School

AGENDA

1. Issuance of voting cards.
2. Proof of due notice of meeting.
3. Certification of presence of a quorum.
4. Approval of agenda.
5. Action on minutes of previous meeting:
Annual Meeting - 5/10/78
Special Meeting - 10/18/78
6. Reports of officers, directors, and elected committees.
7. Presentation of candidates.
8. Nomination of candidates for the election of Nominations and Elections Committee.
9. Old business.
10. New business:
a. By laws Change:
(1) Article VII, Section 1 - Nominations and Elections Committee
11. Good and Welfare.
12. Recess.

Margaret Hogensen
Secretary

VOTING

Toward the end of meeting until 11 p.m. or one hour after meeting ends (whichever comes first) for candidates for the Board of Directors and Audit Committee at the Municipal Bldg., City Council Chambers; and Thursday, May 24 all day, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

WHAT GOES ON

Sat., May 19, 8 a.m. - noon.
Clean-up of Lake Park
Mon., May 21, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Tues., May 22, 7:30 p.m. Genealogical Society, "Library and Archives" Greenbelt Library.
8 p.m. Public Hearing on City Budget - Municipal Building.
8 p.m. Roosevelt Annual Awards Ceremony
Wed., May 23, 8 p.m. GHI Annual Membership Meeting, Center School and Voting
Thurs., May 24, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. GHI Voting continues at Municipal Building.

**GHI MEMBERS
ATTEND YOUR
ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23
Greenbelt Center School
8 p.m.**

Voting for Board of Directors and Audit Committee will take place after the annual meeting, May 23, and all day, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday, May 24, in the Council chambers, Municipal Building.

—VOTE — VOTE — VOTE — VOTE

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Further Comment

To the Editor:

Mrs. Denson's Letter to the Editor in the May 10 issue of the Greenbelt News Review raised some items that need further comment, in my estimation. These are as follows:

- The letter begins with general charges of waste or mismanagement of GHI, without any specifics to support such charges. This, in my estimation, casts a cloud over the reputation of all GHI employees. Some employees were dismissed or reprimanded when the Manager learned that they were not performing satisfactorily. The Audit Committee, the President, or the Personnel Committee can be contacted if there is evidence of wrong-doing that is not being taken care of by management.
- The charges brought by a former employee against the Manager are being investigated by the Audit Committee and a special Ad Hoc Committee composed of members. The manager has issued a statement answering the charges, but a final decision will not be made until the two reports are received.
- Regarding the extra effort of GHI employees in getting Federal, State or County grants or funds, an amount of \$406,500, which was, or is being used according to prescribed rules and procedures, and is audited by Government agencies, should be an indication of management's effectiveness in this area.
- My concern with GHI matters is not turned on only at election time. It started with my Thesis on Management Aspects of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., in 1962 and has continued ever since.
- About the pending contract amendment or codicil subject — If Mrs. Denson or any member has a letter from an attorney giving an opinion on this matter and the reasons for it, it would be of service to members to get our Legal Counsel's review. However, since there seems to be much doubt and apprehension about the amendments to the contract, I have asked that it be placed on the May 17 GHI Board meeting agenda for review and discussion.

Stephen Polaschick

Greenbelt Is Special

When Greenbelt was built 40 years ago, its designers planned a unique community. Some of the original features continue to make Greenbelt a special place — super blocks, pedestrian walkways, underpasses, good design and sound construction of houses. As time passes, some changes become necessary (for example, changes to deal with energy problems). Renovation is needed, but we must be careful not to destroy the things that make Greenbelt special.

These views have been basic to my efforts in serving on the GHI Board. We need a truly cooperative effort to get the job of renovation done — and done right. I hope you will continue to support these efforts with your vote.

DON VOLK

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Mishkan Torah Notes

Mishkan Torah services on Friday, May 18, at 8 p.m. will feature the E'not Mitzvah of Ethel Rosenzweig, Nancy Peckerar, Janis Bloom, Betty Millar and Miriam Payne. On Saturday, May 19 at 9:30 a.m., Sharon Kate Perry, daughter of Harriet and Joe Murray Schwartz will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah.

GHI Decisions

To the Editor:

Next Wednesday GHI will have its annual meeting. The members will be fortunate to cover more than a few items over the several hours of the meeting. There are so many things the members should consider, but time will not permit them to do so—matters such as parking solutions, directions of the Design Book, questions posed by the Nominations and Elections Committee, alternative heating methods, suggestions put forth by the Audit Committee. The only way that such items can receive proper consideration is for more members to become active on GHI committees. If you have a concern about any of the plans or problems within our cooperative, bring your idea to one of the committees, get suggestions from other members, develop the concept into a plan, guide it through the committee structure, and present it to the consideration of Board and Management. The experience can be very rewarding.

The most serious problem presently facing the committees, and all of GHI, is one of obtaining low interest financing for rehabilitation. After over ten years of effort and the participation of hundreds of members, employees, and consultants, the Board of Directors presented its plan for rehabilitation in October 1978. In November, the members voted approval to proceed with rehabilitation by a two to one margin. It is important that we obtain an interest rate far below the high bank rates we normally have to pay. GHI must continue with rehabilitation. Otherwise the cooperative is tied permanently to the rate of inflation and to maintenance of items that will need repair more and more often. Without low-cost financing we may not be able to afford to install any significant additional energy-conservation facilities. With low interest rates we can attack the rising costs of maintenance and inflation, install energy-saving insulation materials, and replace those items whose cost of continuing repair exceeds their value.

Another matter that appears to concern many members these days is employee relations. The Personnel Committee has been recommending good, positive measures for improving employee morale and dedication. The encouragement and understanding of the members are needed. This means that we follow up on requests for service. If a job is not done to your satisfaction call the Maintenance Office again. When necessary take your requests up through the line of authority, even to the Board of Directors—preferably with understanding. But also, when a job is done well, let the employees and management know about it. Encourage GHI to follow a course that provides training to employees who need it, and praise and rewards to those who do their jobs well.

Wayne Williams

Car Wash Saturday

Greenbelt CARES Youth Job organization will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 19, from 10 a.m. — 3 p.m., in front of Center School.

No "Blank Check"

To the Editor:

What prevents the Board from using the amendment as a "blank check" for future borrowing as some members have charged? First, the Board is empowered to raise monthly charges only up to 9.9% without membership approval. Should the Board obtain a loan which would raise monthly charges beyond the 9.9%, the membership must give its approval. Alone, this provision in the Bylaws prevents the amendment from being a "blank check."

Second, the amendment is limited "to financing for rehabilitation purposes, as approved by the membership . . ." In order to finance any other project, the Board would need to seek the approval of the membership because no lending institution would lend substantial amounts of money to GHI without the assurance that the membership backed the program. Precisely for this reason GHI needs the amendment signed. The lending institution, the Community Development Administration, and the Maryland Housing Fund, which would provide insurance for the loan, want the assurance that the members agree to pay back the rehabilitation loan. No agency would lend money without collateral, and GHI's collateral—the homes and property—are worth far in excess of the \$5,000,000 to be borrowed.

James Smith

No Chicanery

To the Editor:

I was very surprised by the letter by a former Board member in last week's News Review. I have no "secret" plan, and would not expect voters to act on such a basis. Every part of my plan has been suggested by me at either a Board meeting or an Engineering and Maintenance Committee meeting. Besides stating in my first flyer that "I will outline my plan in at later flyer," I also give my home address and phone number and my work number (now changed to 871-7235). I have answered every question asked of me, and think it strange that Mrs. Clark did not contact me, especially since we live so close together! This leads me to believe that her letter was no more than a political pot-shot. Nice try, Mary, but no cigar.

As to the rest of her letter—for a plan that "is the product of years of effort," it leaves much to be desired. The funding method is yet to be determined. I think that it is unlikely that a mortgage will be put on our homes and property. Tens of thousands of dollars have been collected from us but no energy savings has been done. Yet much time, effort and money have been spent just trying to find the funds. For example the lawyers working on the bond issue (whom we did not hire) billed us for over \$2700, and their payment was approved, even though the bond issue may never occur!

Important insulation questions still exist. Will insulation be applied to the attics or not? Will the frame walls be filled with cellulose, fiberglass or rock wool? How much incentive will be given to homeowners to do their own work and ease the burden on the rest of us? Which windows will be replaced and which will have storm windows added? And so forth.

My life is based on common sense, not games and chicanery. I like Greenbelt and plan to stay for quite a while. GHI is a good place to live, raise a family and retire to, but it can be made much better. That is why I am running for the Board. And again, anyone wishing to contact me can leave a message at 58-C Ridge Road, or call me at 345-8479 (home), or 871-2735 (work).

Ed James

Disco Dance Show

A "Ballroom-Disco Dance Show" featuring Kris Page and Larry Callahan will highlight the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood meeting Thursday, May 24 at 9 p.m. Callahan is the director of the "Now and Then" Dance Studio in Silver Spring where Page teaches.

There will be audience participation after the show. Husbands, friends and teenagers are invited. The public is welcome and there is no charge. A business meeting will start at 8 p.m.

Barber - Fendlay

Mr. and Mrs. Donald T. Barber, 36-L Ridge Rd., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanne Beth to Harry Eugene Fendlay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fendlay, also of Greenbelt. A September 8 wedding is planned.

Dial 911 for Fire/Rescue

by Wayne Lewis

Spring is here, summer is on the way, and the grass is growing. Other plants are also growing and could be hindering any emergency response to your home. Are your shrubs hiding either your home address numbers or the fire hydrant near your home? If so, please take a few minutes and clear away the branches that cover these items. It may only take a little longer for the firemen to do this job when they respond to your call for help, however, EVERY SECOND COUNTS. If you need an emergency DIAL 911 sticker for your telephone, stop by the fire station and pick one up.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

8 a.m. Holy Communion
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
 422-8057

MOWATT MEMORIAL

United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410
 CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 SERMON:
 "Our Humble Confession"
 Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham,
 Pastor 474-3381.

Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)

Hillside and Crescent Roads - Phone 474-6171 (mornings)

Sunday

Church School for all ages - 9:45

Family Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Nursery provided at 2B Hillside

Rev. Sherry Taylor and Rev. Harry Taylor, co-pastors

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Whatever the temperature

You are invited to worship with us

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

474-4212

Crescent & Greenhill Roads

Bible Study for all ages (Sun.)

9:45 am

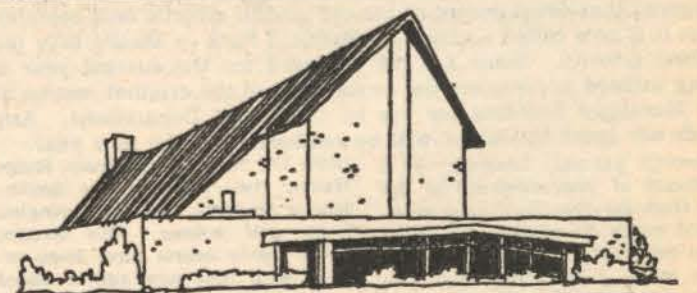
Worship services

11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Mid-week prayer service (Wed.)

8:00 pm

For bus transportation, call Church office
 8:30-12:30 weekdays.



Holy Cross Lutheran Church

6905 Greenbelt Road

Worship Services: 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:50 a.m.

Weekday Nursery School: 9-11:30 a.m.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5111

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 1979-1980 DISCUSSED AT COUNCIL WORK SESSION

by Linda Orestein

The Monday, May 7 council work session dealt with the administrative and the CARES budget for 1979-1980. The estimated cost of running Greenbelt during the next fiscal year totals \$2,500,000, reflecting an overall increase of 8%. Various aspects of the budget were discussed but the focus of the meeting was CARES, the status of its programs, proposed changes and its future costs.

CARES Program

Carol Leventhal, Director of CARES and Jim Holmes, Juvenile Counselor, attended the work session to supply information regarding the direction the Youth Services Program has taken in the last year. Leventhal explained that CARES hopes to expand its services to include adults, particularly senior citizens. The resources of a youthful population and an older one might be combined to initiate a foster grandparent-child program. Leventhal said that although it would be nice to possess greater diagnostic capabilities, that is a sophisticated tool and not that necessary. She added, "The lack of capacity to help those beyond youth is an omission in the program." An additional \$5,000 beyond the prepared budget was discussed, possibly to employ a social worker twelve hours a week for expanded services. Council has made no commitment on this issue, but will be considering its merits.

According to its Director, CARES turned "outwardly" in 1979. It

has forged stronger relationships with departments in area universities. This demonstrates that the bureau is considered a training resource and a special service provider, and assures CARES of receiving the benefits of the combined efforts of "many minds" within those departments. The Outreach program has developed more fully since last December; the job bank and tutoring program continue to provide valuable services within the community. Leventhal noted that CARES had presented a paper at an anthropology meeting in Philadelphia and that it is now a member of the Maryland State Association of Youth Service Bureaus.

CARES is based on the free services of volunteers. The dollar value per year placed on these efforts has been set at approximately \$20,000, which is probably an underestimate. City Manager James K. Giese asked that this approximate cost be included in the budgetary information. The large volume of volunteer effort makes CARES a unique organization.

The CARES budget has not increased substantially, but the city has picked up more of the costs. The state will continue to pay its share of \$44,200. Normally the county covers \$3,300 of the Youth Services Bureau's expenses. In response to indications that this sum has not been included in the County Executive's budget because of TRIM, council asked that a letter be written to the County Council requesting that the \$3,300 be rebudgeted. If that money is not forth-

coming, the city may be responsible for \$34,100 of CARES' support.

Budget Changes 0

There have been some changes scheduled in the overall budget for next year. Giese has requested a 6% cost of living salary increase for all city employees. Those funds have been placed in the reserve budget so that modifications may be made later. The outlay for electrical operating services in the Municipal Building budget exceeded the projected amount, but no other expenditures evoked any particular comments.

Giese has expressed the need for the addition of an Administrative Assistant. The increase in the work load due to the preparation of new grant applications; Greenway assessments; special assessments; new development and re-development programs and special research projects make the expansion of personnel a necessity. Giese stressed that the individual hired should have financial expertise to assist in the running of a "tight financial operation." In his budget comments Giese indicated that the next few years in the city's history will have great impact on its future. The amount of commercial development taking place and the rehabilitation and historic preservation of original Greenbelt are tremendous undertakings which need a staff large enough to insure the success of the city's efforts. According to Giese, in order to keep pace with the desire of city council to improve the quality of life in the city, the administrative staff must be able to devote sufficient time to each project.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED BUDGETS - FISCAL YEAR 1979/80

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1979 - 8 P.M.

Council Room, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road - 2nd Floor

Gudrun H. Mills, City Clerk



AGENDA

Regular Meeting
of City Council

MONDAY, MAY 21, 1979 - 8 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
5. Minutes of Council Meetings
6. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

III. OLD BUSINESS

9. Charter Amendment Resolution of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Enlarging the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Greenbelt by Annexing Land Contiguous and Adjoining the Existing Corporate Area, Known as Parcels A and C, Greenbelt East Subdivision, Together with Adjacent Public Roadways, and Providing for the Special Treatment of Taxable Real Property in the Area Annexed from the Effective Date of Annexation Through the Taxable Year Ending June 30, 1985 - Second Reading
10. Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute on Behalf of the City Council an Annexation Agreement Setting Forth Conditions and Circumstances Applicable to the Annexation of Certain Property Known as Parcel A, Greenbelt East Subdivision - Second Reading
11. An Ordinance to Amend Article II, "Greenbelt Lake," of Chapter 13, Title "Parks and Recreation," of the Greenbelt City Code by Deleting from Section 13-7 of Division 2, Boating Regulations, the Restriction Pertaining to the Length of Boats - Second Reading
12. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Replacement Fund in the Amount of Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2,600) Thereby Making Total Replacement Fund Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1979 Amount to Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred and Five Dollars (\$30,805) to Provide for the Purchase of a Combination Steam Jenny and Pressure Washer from the Replacement Reserve for Public Works Shop Equipment and for the Additional Costs of Purchasing a Parks Riding Mower, a Parks Brush Chipper and a Parks Pick-Up Truck from Unappropriated Surplus Funds - Second Reading
13. A Resolution to Transfer Funds Within Departments - \$59,500 Second Reading
14. A Resolution to Provide for the Number of Judges and Clerks of Election to Provide for their Compensation, and to Provide for the Rate of Compensation to be Paid the Chairman and Members of the Board of Elections for the 1979 Regular Council Election - Second Reading
15. SE 3151 - Mobil Gas Station
16. Park Development Proposal - Springhill Lake and Greenbriar

IV. NEW BUSINESS

17. Charter Amendment Resolution to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt by Adding a New Section 58, Titled "Revenue Bond Financing," to Provide Authority for the Issuance by the City of Greenbelt, Maryland (The "City") of Bonds Payable as to Principal and Interest Solely from the Revenues of One or More Revenue-Producing Projects; to Set Forth Certain Legislative Findings; to Set Forth the Public Purposes Such Financing is Expected to Achieve; to Define the Types of Projects Eligible for Assistance Through Revenue Bond Financing to be Limited to Rehabilitation of Existing Structures; to Provide for the Security and to Recognize the Tax Exemption of the Bonds; to Provide for the Determination by Ordinance of the Form, Term, Interest Rate or Rates or Method of Determining Them, Terms, Conditions, Maturities and all Other Details Incident to the Issuance, Sale and Payment of the Bonds; to Provide that the Revenue Bonds are not to Constitute any Indebtedness of the City to Which its Faith and Credit or Taxing Power are Pledged; to Provide for a Trust Agreement Between the City and a Corporate Trustee and for the Provisions Thereof; to Provide for Refunding Bonds; and to Provide for All Other Matters Deemed Necessary or Appropriate by the Council to Effect an Authorized Financing - First Reading
18. Federal Contributions for Construction and Operation of Metropolitan Washington Metrorail System
19. Proposed Federal Capital Improvements Program for the National Capital Region - Fiscal Years 1980-1985
20. Project 80 - 96" Water Main

V. MISCELLANEOUS

NOTE: THIS IS A PRELIMINARY AGENDA - SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

LITTLE LEAGUERS

The 1979 Little League season was officially opened Sunday, April 29 with Mayor Richard Pilski throwing out the first ball.

The 1978 Greenbelt Little League Champion American Legion Cardinals opposed the Gunners Mate Giants in the opening game. The game was won by the Cards 9-0. Jimmy Lloyd pitched a no-hitter and collected 2 singles and a double to lead the Cards. Joe Rodriguez also had 2 hits.

On April 30, the DAV Tigers defeated the Pepsi-Cola A's 12-8. Stephen Scheifele pitched 4 innings for the Tigers with Tim Moore getting the win in relief. Jay Gordon collected 2 doubles and a single in 3 trips to the plate. Rich Luginich had a home run for the A's.

May 1, the Cubs defeated the Lions 23-7. Paul Kwiatkowski was the winning pitcher. Mike Murray belted a triple for the Lions.

May 2, the Cards won over the Orioles 23-6. Eric Brumley led the Cards with 3 hits. Don McCord was the winning pitcher.

May 3's action the Greenbelt Carry-Out Indians downed the Giants 22-9. Jimmy O'Sullivan got the win with Danny McCarthy supporting him with 3 hits in 4 at-bats. Steve Simko had 2 hits for the Giants.

May 4's game between the Tigers and Orioles was rained out.

May 7, the A's were pitted against the Cards. With the lead changing several times the Cards won 9-6. Don McCord got the win. Mike Angelatta had 3 hits for the A's.

Parent Discussion Group

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Parent Discussion Group will be Wed., May 23, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Greenbelt Baptist Church. "Discipline" will be the topic for discussion. All are welcome. For more information, call Betty Hughes at 277-5816.

RABIES CLINIC

Pet owners are reminded that all dogs and cats in Prince Georges County are required by law to be protected against rabies.

For those dogs and cats still in need of vaccinations, a clinic is scheduled on Wednesday, May 23 from 6-8 p.m., at Greenbelt Junior High School.

No further rabies immunizations will be provided by the Health Department until May, 1980.

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with the achievements made possible by the bond issue ten years ago and concurred with Mayor Richard Pilski's suggestion that they hold a one-day retreat to determine "what direction we're going in." This would be planned as an extension of the Maryland Municipal League convention, which all will be attending anyway in Ocean City in June.

All agreed that necessary preparatory work for placing a bond issue referendum on the ballot this September in the municipal election would be impossible, but they felt it was time to consider a new bond issue—probably by next spring. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld suggested that preparing a "wish list" for further capital improvements should properly be left to the new council to be elected next fall. Schwan, however, disagreed.

"This is a very experienced council," he said. "The most recently elected members have already served six years. . . I think we should do both—have a one-day retreat at Ocean City. Then after the election follow through with the next council."

Giese was directed to have the city staff review possible future needs of the city for discussion at the planned retreat.

Ballfield Development

Giese reminded council that they need not specify how the remaining money in the capital improvement fund should be spent as part of the process of adoption of the 1979-80 budget, since the fund is handled separately. He noted that \$11,000 of the figure represents a recent payment by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for an easement through the Lake Park for a water main. His own suggestions for its best use were toward: (1) construction of a picnic shelter-comfort station for the Lake Park, (2) initial planning for companion facilities for the athletic field complex on the old landfill site, or (3) acquisition of parkland in Greenbelt East, preferably to serve the Windsor Green development.

Council unanimously agreed that the ballfield represented the highest priority. According to the city manager's budget statement, an initial step has already been taken in having the project listed in the County plan, making it eligible for a State open space grant. A second

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The city expects a 37.5% increase in revenues from business corporations. Piendak explained to the News Review that the increase was due largely to the opening of the Stidham office building, the anticipated summer opening of Capital Cadillac and the possible opening of K-Mart (in the old Klein's store).

Superman and the increasingly popular Greenbelt Sports Center (archery) have helped raise the revenues from the 10% amusement and admissions tax, probably, above the all-time high of Star Wars 1977.

State Highway User Funds returned to municipalities will also be up next year because of new state legislation. Council agreed with Giese that the extra \$16,000 anticipated could easily be spent on road repair.

County shared income taxes are expected to be up 10% over last year. County funds normally received for Greenbelt CARES are not included in this year's budget. Council asked staff to send a letter to the county requesting the \$3,300 be reinstated.

Council probably will double the animal shelter fee and raise the waste collection fee by 5%. The parking fines at the Lake Park have added slightly to the city's revenue picture.

La Leche Meeting

The Greenbelt LaLeche League will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, May 21 at 8 p.m. at 42-K Ridge Rd. The topic will be: "The Advantages of Breastfeeding." For information call: 345-2670.

step will be to prepare a preliminary plan, cost estimate, and application for a grant. Since the city must supply 25 per cent, or \$60,000 of an estimated \$240,000 project, the current capital improvements fund is clearly inadequate. But it could be used for preparing the plans themselves. Lighting, restrooms and road improvements will be needed for the complex.

While road access to the site will involve future expense, Giese pointed out that it could not be paid for with open space funding. He thought that some regrading of the four-tenths of a mile stretch from See BALLFIELDS, p. 12, col. 1

BIOGRAPHIES OF GHI BOARD, AUDIT COMMITTEE CANDIDATES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS {Vote for only Five}

Bettie G. Denson
59-A Ridge Road

Bettie Denson was educated through high school in Hyattsville, and finished her business education at Strayers Business College.

Her experience in the business world includes 5 years with a national newspaper and 28 years with the Federal Government in Washington and two foreign countries. She has also held positions in clubs and church organizations.

Denson has lived in Greenbelt since 1943, with the exception of 2½ years in London and 5 years in Rio de Janeiro, and has been a member of this cooperative since 1952.

Walter Hanson
14-C Hillside

Walter Hanson is an experienced Master Plumber and Manager, and has done plumbing work since 1936. He became a Journeyman in 1941, a Master in 1975, and has worked for various contractors in all phases of plumbing and heating. In 1964 he became a working foreman for the University of Maryland plumbing. Since 1974 he has been Director of Piped Services at the University in College Park.

Walt is responsible for plumbing maintenance, sewage, hot water heating, 1700 pumps and all piping systems within the campus. He is also responsible for a budget of \$183,000 per year and supervises 30 workers of various classifications. When necessary, he is called upon to aid other campuses of the University system.

Walt has been operating his own plumbing business in Greenbelt for the past 4 years. He has also taken a number of courses in Business Management.

Walt lived in GHI from 1941 to 1946, and moved back to Greenbelt in 1972 and then to GHI in 1977.

Margaret Hogensen
53-F Ridge Rd.

Margaret Hogensen and her husband Ben became members of GHI in 1972. In 1977 she was elected to the GHI Board of Directors and is serving as secretary of the board during the second year of her term in office. Prior to serving on the board she served for one year as the chairman of the Audit Committee. During the last four years she has served on the Engineering and Maintenance Committee and was the chairman of that committee for one year.

Hogensen received her early education in Kansas, graduating from the University of Wichita. She holds a degree in Library Science from the University of Denver. Her early working experience was in public libraries in Wichita, Kansas; Boise, Idaho; and Pomona, California.

After moving to Pennsylvania in 1960, she was employed by a Philadelphia TV station as a reference librarian. Later in Philadelphia and in Washington, D.C., she worked as a researcher for a film company. At present, she does freelance research for film producers who make documentaries and political films.

Ed James
58-C Ridge Road

Ed James was born in Washington, D.C., in 1950 and attended St. John's College High on full scholarship, graduating as a National Merit Finalist. Subsequent education includes degrees in physics, biochemistry and zoology from the University of Maryland. Through course work and employment, he has developed manual skills in woodworking, welding, machine shop use, electronics and automo-

bile mechanics.

James has worked for Martin Marietta Labs on a power plant siting and monitoring program under contract to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, for Computer Sciences Corporation under contract to NASA, and is currently employed by Vitro Labs under contract to EPA as a systems analyst.

James has experience within the energy and environment fields in management, budgeting processes, and in the design and development of large-scale computer data-handling systems. He and his wife Alice moved to GHI shortly after they were married in 1977.

Charles Kramer
2-T Plateau Pl.

Charles Kramer has experience in all phases of pest control through his work for the University of Maryland as Pest Control Operator for the academic and office buildings. He is responsible for control of all types of pests which infest buildings. He inspects for termites and supervises the contractor's work. Before becoming Pest Control Operator, Charles worked with the University's special horticulture crew, and was involved with pest control, landscaping and fertilizing.

Before going to work full-time for the University, Charles was a full-time student and has 100 credits of University courses, with an emphasis in horticulture, botany and pest control. He is continuing to work towards a B.S. degree by attending classes part-time.

Bobbi McCarthy
65-E Ridge Road

A member of the Board of Directors since last fall, Bobbi McCarthy is a graduate of Duke University and has taken additional courses in economics and education at the University of Maryland.

McCarthy, before her appointment to the board, was chairman of the Audit Committee on which she served for over two years. She has also been a member and chairman of the GHI Legislative Committee and has acted as liaison between GHI and county and state officials interested in the cooperative and its programs. She is a member of and GHI's representative to the County Community Development Advisory Committee. During the past three years she has served as legislative and administrative assistant to Del. Gerard F. Devlin (D-P.G.) in Annapolis where she has been actively involved in legislation affecting GHI.

Besides her GHI activities, McCarthy is a member of the cooperative Greenbelt Nursery School, secretary for the Board of Trustees of the Greenbelt Community Church, a member of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, and a vice president of the Roosevelt Democratic Club. She also serves part time as a legal assistant for her husband Tony in his law practice.

The McCarthys have two small children, Jean and Teddy, and are long-time GHI residents. Tony grew up in 6 Court Ridge and Bobbi has lived here since their marriage in 1968.

William L. Offenbacher
43-E Ridge Road

William Offenbacher was born in Washington, D.C. on October 29, 1935 and lived in the District of Columbia during his early years. For the last thirty years, he has resided in the Maryland suburbs of Prince Georges County. His elementary schooling was completed at St. Gabriel's in Washington and he was graduated from St. John's High School in Washington, D.C.

He is currently employed at the Headquarters Building of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters where he has worked in the Reproduction Department for about twenty years.

His principal interests outside of his job consist mainly of Music and Photography. He has been involved with music in the capacity of a musician in numerous bands over the last twenty years. In the music field, he has touched base with every aspect of the business from organizing through booking. In this realm he has also done some radio broadcasting work and still holds a third-class license from the F.C.C.

He has resided in Greenbelt for the past eight years, the first two years in Springhill Lake and the last six years in Greenbelt Homes.

Stephen Polaschik
12-D Ridge Road

Stephen Polaschik's educational background includes a Master of Business Administration degree from George Washington University. His work background has been in various Federal departments and agencies in areas of budgeting, management analysis, and administrative and program support management.

His service to GHI, since 1960, has included participation on Nominations and Elections Committee, Audit Committee, secretary of GHI and as a board member at this time. He has also served on a number of various committees, including present chairmanship of the Member Complaints Committee.

Polaschik has participated in a number of city activities, ranging from chairman of the Greenbelt American Revolution Bicentennial Committee to membership on the Advisory Planning Board. In civic activities, he has worked with the Freedom of the Press Committee, CFPG, Greenbelt Concert Band, and is now on the steering committee of the newly forming Association to Preserve Greenbelt. He is also an irregular contributing writer to the Greenbelt News Review. He is a member of the Greenbelt American Legion Post #136 and the Parklawn Toastmasters Club.

His family includes wife Betty and daughters Betty A., in Olney, Md., and Rita J. in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Donald J. Volk
17-G Ridge Road

Donald Volk has been a resident of Greenbelt for more than 14 years. He lives at 17-G Ridge Road with his wife Joanne, an architect; his son Patrick, a student at Mary Bethune; and his foster son Morgan, a student at Duckworth Special Center.

Volk is a geographer with degrees from the University of Chicago, and a background in city and regional planning. He does consulting work for the Bureau of the Census and teaches occasional courses for the U. S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School and for George Washington University.

He has been on the Board of Directors for 8 years and served for 4 years as vice president of GHI. He has also served since 1965 as a member of the City of Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board.

Wayne F. Williams
1-C Woodland Way

Wayne Williams has been a member of GHI since 1974. He is currently vice president of the board. He is a member and former chairman of the Long-Range Planning Committee, and has served as a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee and the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee. Other Greenbelt activities include vice presidency of the Garden Club and chairman of the Labor Day Parade.

Williams has a BS in mathematics from St. Francis College (Pennsylvania) and an MS in Technology of Management from the American University; major emphasis was in computer systems and management information systems.

Williams was technical editor for the Goddard Space Flight Center

from 1961 to 1964. The next 13 years were spent in the computer field as applications programmer, systems designer and analyst, and project grant manager, working for the Department of the Army, University of Maryland, Sperry Rand Corp., and the Appalachian Regional Commission. He is currently director of information services for the McLaughlin Research Corporation.

He and his wife Virginia have three children — Teresa, Rebecca, and Jonathan.

1962. He grew up both in and with GHI as his father served 9 years on the board. After 4 years in the Air Force he worked with electronic systems for 5 years in Texas, Australia and Nebraska. Returning to school in 1973, he received a BS in economics from the University of Texas in 1974 and did post-graduate work in economics and computer science. He is employed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics as an economist, specializing in building materials price indexes. He is currently a member of the GHI Finance Committee.

He and his wife Constance returned to Greenbelt in 1976. Their son Eric was born in 1977.

AUDIT COMMITTEE {Vote for only Three}

Joseph A. Jenkins
53-N Ridge Road

Joseph Jenkins has been a Greenbelt resident for 11 years and a GHI member since December 1977. He resides at 53-N Ridge Road. He is a native Washingtonian, educated locally. He is in the insurance field and is currently associated with "Safely Management Institute," a Bethesda firm contracted to service the "Federal Crime Insurance Program" under the auspices of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. In that capacity he supervises field technicians in over 25 states and U. S. territories.

Jenkins holds an honorable discharge from the U. S. Army and has been a member of the Greenbelt American Legion Post #136 for the past 9 years.

He presently serves on GHI's Engineering and Maintenance Committee.

Hans E. Jorgensen
6-A Ridge Road

Hans Jorgensen was born in Greenbelt in 1944 and graduated from High Point High School in

James E. Simon
I-B Laurel Hill Road

James Simon was born in McKeesport, Pa., and attended grade and high schools there. He served in the Army Medical Corps in the Pacific. He graduated from Antioch College in 1951. From experiences and training there, he has been interested in and involved in co-ops ever since both as a member and participant. Simon has been a member of the GHI Audit Committee since May 1978. He joined GCS and Twin Pines in the early 60's, and is now living in a frame unit in the North End.

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Recreation Depart. Budget Stresses "Meaningful Leisuretime Opportunities" for All Citizens

Tennis Court and Swim Pool Repairs Discussed

by Mary Lou Williamson

Pool repairs and a fee for the use of the tennis courts were the only items which brought much discussion or a variety of view points as city council eased its way through an otherwise uncomplicated and uncontroversial budget for the Recreation Department. The work session was held Tuesday, April 24.

Recreation Director Harry G. Irving had been prepared to defend his half-million dollar budget: "Greenbelt has always had an outstanding recreation program, but," he admitted, "it looks like a program where there could be a lot of cuts." However, Mayor Richard Pilski let him know right away that his budget was not on the chopping block. "We're a working partnership," he told Irving, "We're not at loggerheads."

Tennis Courts

The tennis court problem caused council the most difficulty. Aware that they had considered and rejected a plan last year calling for fees and a monitor, some councilmen, led by Mayor Richard Pilski, were still unhappy over the lack of control over the courts. A number of questions were raised: could non-residents be prohibited from playing? "No." State open space funds had been used in part, according to City Manager James K. Giese, to construct four of the Braden Field courts. Could use by non-residents be controlled? Could domination of one court by a group of players for more than one hour limit be stopped? Would fees have to be equal for all players? Or could a complex system be developed, such as charging at peak times only, charging adults only, charge more for non-residents? Council did not answer any of these questions, but rather directed the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to study the problem and come back as soon as possible with recommendations.

Giese cautioned that the eight-court Braden Field complex is "not big enough to make fee collection economical . . . it would take all the money earned just to pay the collector," players would be "paying for control of the courts," he explained, "but not contributing toward maintenance or construction costs." Tennis court maintenance is very costly. Council did agree that tennis playing is very expensive in Greenbelt.

The discussion was triggered by the high cost of needed repair for the Braden Field courts (\$40,000 over the next few years). Giese has budgeted only \$12,000 for repairs to be undertaken in the next fiscal year. The four older courts need resurfacing and the four newer courts need renovation as well as resurfacing.

Swim Pool

The budget calls for very little capital outlay for the swimming pool for the coming year, but Giese put council on notice that major repairs will be needed the following year. The smooth surface of the pool walls and floor has deteriorated to such an extent that both Giese and Irving are worried about whether the Health Department will allow the city to put off repair for another season. The cost of this project is estimated at more than \$25,000, perhaps much more. Giese reminded council that the bond issue which financed major renovation in 1967 will be paid off shortly (1982-83). He suggested they may want to finance this repair work and other possible items with a bond issue also, delaying the start of the payback until 1983-84.

Councilman Gil Weidenfeld wanted council to look at other amenities around the pool that might be needed. In response, Giese com-

mented that a lot of work needs to be done in the bath house. Pilski thought council should consider an indoor pool, if the bond issue were to be floated. "Last time (the issue of the indoor pool) wasn't right. This time we should consider it," he asserted. But Giese twice cautioned council: "I would not recommend enclosing (the existing) pool;" the city would have to "build a smaller pool" to enclose. He also felt that a pool enclosed for winter use would not be self-supporting.

Council may also consider construction of the turning wall the Greenbelt swim team has been asking council to approve for a number of years.

Giese noted that the existing pool has not been self-supporting in the past few years. Membership has been declining. General city revenues (\$18,300) will be needed for the next fiscal year to supplement the \$44,000 expected from swimming pool fees. Fees cannot be increased, says Giese, in order to remain competitive with the new county pool on Calvert Rd. County pools also operate at a deficit, though, he added.

Pilski wondered whether arrangements might be made for senior citizens to have a separate time to swim. Irving thought not. He listed opportunities seniors now have to swim when children are not in the water: 1. adult swim (15 minutes of each hour); 2. Swim for Your Life, early in the morning; and 3. Swim for Lunch, at noon. He thought it would be difficult to go beyond that and provide a time when seniors could have the entire facility to themselves. Pilski thanked Irving, saying "if we can't offer them the privacy of a separate time," at least he wanted the seniors to "know we are thinking of them."

The budget anticipates the sale of 380 resident family season passes, although Giese admitted that number might be optimistic. Irving told council that the city is out recruiting pool members. Notices were included in the GHI News Letter and the city trash bills; flyers will go out to the local schools and door-to-door in Windsor Green.

Council was concerned as to whether residents were aware of the new discount offered this year. Those residents who were passholders last year can qualify for a discount by sponsoring a new passholder.

Recreation Goal

The goal of the Recreation De-

partment is to provide "meaningful leisure-time opportunities . . . available to all citizens in the community." The bulk of these opportunities are budgeted for under "self-supporting Recreation Activities." Here Giese and Irving strive

to maintain flexibility. Says Giese "we always pad this section to give the recreation director the opportunity to put together any program he wants. Because these programs are scheduled only if there is a sufficient number of participants to pay the cost of the instructor, the Recreation Dept. is able to offer almost any type of program desired, if space is available. For example, last year \$5,500 was budgeted for referees and officials for league games. Unexpected growth in the number of teams required

expanding \$9,500, or about double. These fees are then passed along to the teams involved.

The recreation department, Irving says, has made a good beginning in its efforts to develop a program for special populations. "This is a program the city can be proud to have," he told council.

Another group Irving is anxious to draw into community programs are the new residents of the city's elderly housing facility - Green Ridge House.

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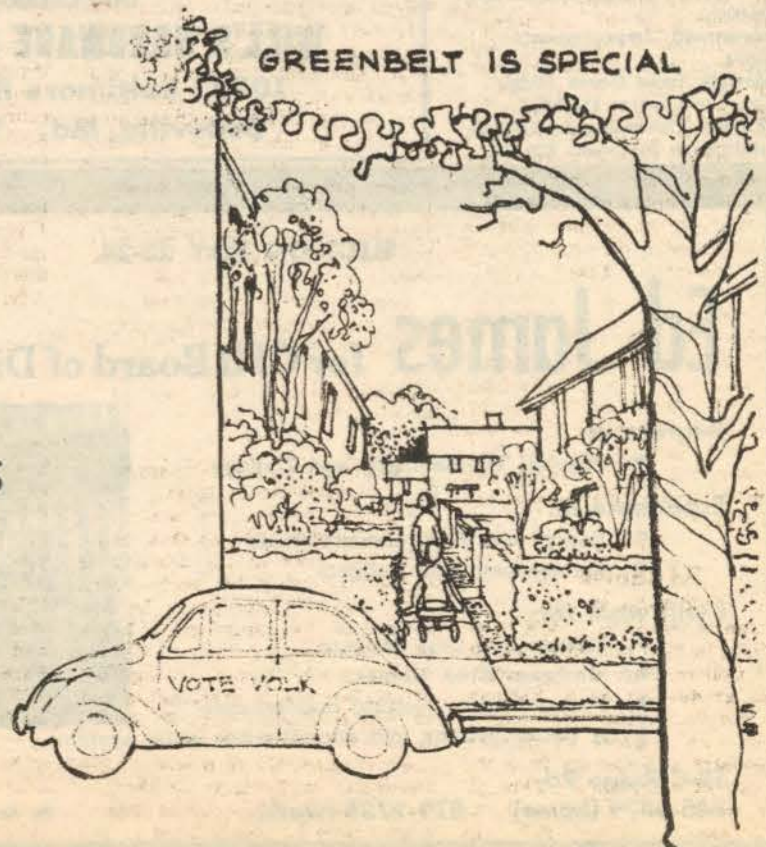
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GREENBELT IS SPECIAL



BALLFIELD con't from p. 1
Northway to the ballfield, together with some dust control, would be all that was necessary this summer. "It is now quite rustic and attractive the way it is," he said.

Councilman Thomas X. White agreed with the priority established among the projects, emphasizing that the new ball field relieves Braden Field.

Councilman Richard Castaldi agreed. "We want to make sure we get moving." He argued that the ballfield, which will be lighted, should be built as soon as possible. Already there are pressures to build residences in the area, he pointed out.

But Giese cautioned that too-quick action could make problems. "If we get more land there through an open space program," he pointed out, "we might want to reconsider and redesign the arrangement of the ball fields."

"We should give top priority to the City Ballfield Park," said Pilski. "It would benefit the County as well as the community."

Castaldi indicated that the city should talk with County representatives concerning the surplus property formerly held by the Board of Education for a three-school complex adjacent to the ballfield site. With a pedestrian overpass nearby from Greenbriar, "access to the new ballfield should be good for east Greenbelt," Castaldi said.

Vehicle Maintenance

The remainder of the meeting was concerned with funds for overhaul and maintenance of present city-owned vehicles and with possible purchase of new ones. The city has established a special fund for motor vehicle equipment maintenance and is in the process of collecting cost data to better assess the value of each piece and its operating efficiency. This process is expected to take several years. In the meantime actual costs for vehicle maintenance will continue to be charged to the general fund operating budgets.

CDBG Fund Budget

Council also reviewed briefly the Community Development Block Grant Fund budget, proposed to the county but not yet approved, totalling \$194,000 for fiscal 1979-80. Under the Neighborhood Strategies Area designation applied for and received by Greenbelt Homes, Inc., the city benefits through multiple-year commitment of funds for the rehabilitation of public facilities. Funds proposed for the coming year include:

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The Maryland State Park Police will exhibit their helicopters through Saturday during the afternoon and evening. Police cars equipped with radar detectors and breath analyzers used to detect levels of alcohol in the body will also be displayed.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - AUDITING SERVICES

Greenbelt City Council is seeking proposals from qualified CPA firms or individuals for conducting the annual City audit for FY79 (July 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979). Proposals should include an estimate of the cost for performing the regular audit, preparation of financial statements (exclusive of the State Uniform Financial Report) and Federal Revenue Sharing compliance audit.

Additional information is available from the City Manager's office, City of Greenbelt, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, (301) 474-8000.

The deadline for receipt of proposals is Monday, June 4, 1979.

Problems of Gay Children Subject of Library Talk

Charlotte Spitzer, Marriage, Family and Child Counselor and founder of Parents and Friend of Gays, will be the guest speaker at the May "Mental Health Month" Public Information Program of the Mental Health Association of Prince Georges County. The program will be held at Greenbelt Library on Wed., May 23 at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Spitzer is an expert on the problems of gay children and will discuss and answer questions about this difficult family subject.

YARD SALE: Sat., May 19, 9-AM Research, 9-2. Please come.

YARD SALE: ANTIQUES, reasonable, 37 Court Ridge Rd., Sat., 9-3.

YARD SALE: Sat., May 19, 11-12 Laurel Hill Rd. 10-2. Also car radio.

YARD SALE: Sat., May 19, 58-A Ridge Rd., 10-2. Children's clothes ages 3-12.

St. Hugh's Summer School

St. Hugh's Summer School for students in grades 1-8 will be held at Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church. Courses in reading, math, language, creative writing, social studies, science and modern math for parents will be offered. Classes will be limited to 10-12 students and any class may be cancelled due to insufficient registration. Full tuition will be refunded if a class is cancelled. For more information, call St. Hugh's School Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 474-4071.

YARD SALE: MOVING - Sat., May 19, 9-4. 128 Hedgewood Drive (Boxwood)

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YARD SALE: Furniture, Schwinn bikes, toys, games, boys clothing, miscellaneous. Saturday, 10 noon-9E Southway.

Police Blotter

A 41-year-old resident was struck and killed recently as he attempted to cross Kenilworth Avenue south of Greenbelt Road at 3 a.m. A vehicle proceeding north on Kenilworth, operated by a 26-year-old resident of Gaithersburg, struck the victim. The driver said he did not see the man until the last second and was unable to avoid striking him. A second vehicle apparently struck the victim; however, it fled the scene without stopping. No charges have been placed, pending completion of the investigation. Numerous complaints were received early on the morning of May

10 regarding a loud party in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway. Numerous trips were made by officers, requesting the revelers to quiet down. When these requests were ignored, officers returned a final time to break up the party. When they spoke with the resident he became disorderly. As a result, he was arrested and charged with disorderly house, disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace. He was processed at headquarters and transported to Hyattsville where he was incarcerated in lieu of \$200 bond.

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I am against mortgaging GHI property and especially against subordinating our Mutual Ownership Contract for that purpose.

Authorized by Bettie G. Denson

G.H.I. Election May 23-24, 1979 After Annual Meeting

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Devlin's Co-op Housing Bill Has a Convoluted Journey

by Edith Beauchamp

Legislation sponsored by Del. Gerard F. Devlin (D-24th District) to assist in the financing and rehabilitation of GHI homes was the focal point of quiet but intensive legislative maneuvering in Annapolis. The chronological events leading up to the passage of these bills by the General Assembly recently give particular insight into the workings of our legislature. The following is that story:

Devlin's bills received favorable testimony by the Maryland Department of Economic and Community Development, the department affected by the bills, in a hearing before the Economic Matters Committee March 13. This committee hearing was like most in Annapolis, where the delegates heard testimony on upwards of ten bills, and at the same time were being called out to testify on their own bills in other committees. Little time could be devoted to consideration of each issue, and these being particularly complex, there was some resulting confusion.

The Economic Matters Committee had heard another bill dealing with co-ops the previous week and a confusion had arisen about co-ops among Committee members. As a result, when Devlin's bills came before them, several Committee members suggested that consideration of his bill be postponed. They recommended the bills be given an unfavorable report and turned over to the Legislative Policy Committee for study during the summer interim. This was the action ultimately taken by the Committee.

Devlin's understanding had been that the bills were not crucial to the GHI rehabilitation loan, merely helpful. But following the unfavorable report, the Economic and Community Development Department informed Devlin's staff that the report would jeopardize the financing plan being negotiated in fact with GHI.

Because of the unique nature of co-op unit ownership, some legal questions had been raised about whether present Maryland law permitted the Department to finance co-op unit loans. The two bills would have clarified the ambiguous sections of the Maryland Annotated Code and expedited the financing. The Department told Devlin that with the unfavorable committee report the "intent of the legislature" had been established, that the section of the code pertaining to mortgage loans did not include co-operatives, and the loans would not go through at all.

Exception Made

Realizing that the entire rehabilitation project might well depend on the passage of these two bills, Devlin sought out the chairman of the Economic Matters Committee, Del. Fred Rummage, to find a way to have the bills be considered. Although sympathetic to Greenbelt's problem, Rummage explained that his committee had passed a rule at the beginning of the session which essentially prevented reconsideration of any bill. When alternative methods of reversing the committee's action proved unworkable, however, Devlin, a member of the House leadership, was able to convince Rummage and other committee members to make an exception to their rule in this case.

Rummage assisted Devlin's office in setting up a meeting with GHI representatives, Community Development Administration staff, and several delegates interested in co-operative legislation. As that meeting was going on, the other 24th district delegates, Joan Pitkin and Charles J. (Buzz) Ryan, were busy contacting members of the Economic Matters committee that they knew to alert them to the situation.

Five days after they had been killed in committee and many phone calls and meetings later, the bills were brought back to life by a quick unanimous Committee vote to reconsider. Two days later, after Devlin again spoke with members of the committee, the bills were favorably reported out, and they passed the full House April 2.

's), is a former member of GHI. The other represents a district which includes Armstead Gardens, a large co-operative housing development. He made the comment that the people of Armstead Gardens were experiencing the same difficulty in obtaining loans as members of GHI and he would support the bills.

After some close questioning, the Senate Economic Affairs Committee gave the bills a favorable report, and they passed the full Senate Saturday, April 7, after a filibuster on a truck weight bill was broken. Their passage was pretty much under the wire, as the last day of the session was Monday, April 9.

As Devlin said, "I am very pleased and relieved to have these bills pass the legislature. They are the only bills the House Economic Matters Committee reconsidered this session and it was essentially done as a favor to me and to Greenbelt. I am also grateful that we were able to move the bills through the Senate so rapidly. I hope their passage will enable GHI to overcome the last hurdles in finding financing for the rehabilitation program."

(Also contributing to this article was Bobbi McCarthy).

Senate Action

With less than a week left in the session at that point, there was little time for the bills to be heard in the Senate. Devlin contacted the chairman of the Economic Affairs Committee, Sen. Harry J. McGuirk (D-Balt. City), and Sen. Edward Conroy, another member of the Senate Leadership, to try to expedite Senate action on the bills.

Several members of the Senate Committee were as unconcerned about co-operatives as the House Committee had been at first. However, Devlin was assisted in his efforts by two members of the Committee who were familiar with housing cooperatives. One of them, Sen. James C. Simpson (D-St. Mar-

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WHEREAS, this year's General Fund Raising Drive will be conducted in the same manner as past Ambulance Club Drives but, in addition to raising funds for ambulance equipment and the operation of the Rescue Squad, this year's General Fund Raising Drive will also seek funds toward the replacement of two fire trucks and toward the cost of the much needed addition of the Fire House; and

WHEREAS, in addition to giving outstanding ambulance and rescue services by providing first aid and transportation to the sick and injured whenever needed, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., has assured the community that its reliable Fire Department can furnish modern, quick-response, and efficient fire protection service — supplemented by community-wide fire prevention and education programs; and

WHEREAS, these services and programs, which are made possible by the dedication of volunteers who serve our citizens on a twenty-four hour service, rely on the generosity of the community and deserve our full support;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard R. Pilski, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, by authority vested in me by the Council and the citizens of Greenbelt do hereby issue this proclamation designating the month of May, 1979 as

FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTH

in support of the General Fund Raising Drive being conducted by the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.; to recognize the men and women who have furnished the community reliable, high quality ambulance and rescue service and outstanding fire protection and prevention services for many years; and to urge the citizens of Greenbelt to show their appreciation by contributing generously during this General Fund Raising Drive to assure the continuation of the quality of these services and to assure continuing qualifying membership in the Ambulance Club.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to be affixed this 30th day of April, 1979.

RICHARD R. PILSKI, Mayor
City of Greenbelt, Maryland

ATTEST:
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New Guidelines On Highway Construction Give Elected Officials More Authority

by Karen Sarro

Many projects are included in Maryland's Department of Transportation's Capital Improvement Program (1980-84), among them the Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth Avenue interchange. But who determines which among many projects is more important than another?

According to Hal Kassoff, director of the office of planning and preliminary planning for the Dept. of Transportation, new legislation which was approved last year and goes into effect July 1 of this year has made significant changes in the Capital Improvement Program. This new legislation gives elected officials—the county councils, county executives, delegates and state senator — the power to determine priority of road projects.

There are four classifications for road projects: primary, secondary, interstate and special. The primary system consists of major projects that involve routes of statewide interest. An example of a primary project is U.S. Route 50, which connects the Washington area with Annapolis and carries long distance traffic between two regions of the state. Secondary projects involve routes which carry locally oriented traffic within a county, such as the Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth Avenue project. Interstate projects involve routes between two or more states. Special projects could be major but usually are not. These projects are oriented towards operational improvement, structured adequacy and safety, such as traffic signals in an intersection, resurfacing a roadway, or landscaping.

New Problems

Projects get added to the program when elected officials or citizens bring a problem to the attention of the Department of Transportation. According to Kassoff,

"It is very rare that new problems on the major program are identified," because the department is already aware of most of them. But the number of people that bring the problem up may have an influence on whether the project is started. "If there's an overwhelming amount of community support, there would be more inclination to go ahead," said Kassoff; "if there's an overwhelming amount of opposition, it certainly would have a negative influence."

In the case of special systems, however, it is not so rare for elected officials or citizens to bring up a new problem. "The sources vary, from elected officials to citizens to local staffs to the department's staff. Whatever problem is recognized, we try to at least determine whether anything can be done. The more operational the problem is, the easier it is to address," said Kassoff.

New Legislation

The new legislation comes into play with the major problems. Under the new legislation the elected officials of the county determine the priority of secondary projects. The department is given a list prepared by the elected officials, and it takes on each project, in the order it is given on the list, as time, manpower and funding permit.

Although elected officials cannot determine the date on which the project is started, they do determine the order in which projects are carried out.

First a "need study" is made on all projects. Previously, the elected officials would approve the need study, with projects to be begun being selected by the department of transportation. Elected officials did not have direct approval or authority. Now they do.

On the primary level, when initial project planning is done, a document called the systems planning report is produced. This report

defines the scope of the proposed projects in terms of such things as cost, length, location, potential impacts, and provided services. The report is then subject to a public meeting, after which revisions may be made. When the draft systems planning report is completed, it is circulated to the elected officials. They then have the authority to disapprove a project, but within 90 days of its receipt. Once it is disapproved, the project is dropped.

This procedure, along with the priority ordering of secondary projects, gives elected officials a great deal of involvement in determining what gets into the program and when it gets in.

"The role of the elected officials is very crucial and we try to work very closely with them," said Kassoff. "The more the elected officials have a consensus view point, the easier our job is. It's a very important role that they play, and the new legislation reinforces that role."

Project Funding

As far as funding of the projects is concerned, according to Kassoff, about one-half of the Capital Improvement Program is financed through federal funds. The other half is financed through consolidated transportation trust funds on the state level. The sources of revenue for these trust funds are gasoline taxes, vehicle registration fees, and excise taxes. The Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth Avenue project is estimated to cost about \$14 million (project planning-\$120,000; design-\$500,000; right-of-way-buying of needed property-\$2.3 million and \$11 million in construction costs).

Kassoff hopes the new legislation will help everyone. "Hopefully it will give us clearer guidance and result in more stability of the program, once project commitments are made, that they don't become unmade."

A Greenbelt Profile Betty Allen

by Jean Marie Gainey

One week after Betty Allen interviewed former councilman George Bauer on the history of Greenbelt for the library's Tugwell room special collections, Bauer died, tragically, of a heart attack. The record he left, as a result, takes on extra meaning and value.

Mrs. Allen, who works in adult services at the library and is in charge of the Tugwell room, said this was her "most memorable, although grim, interview."

The interview was completely unplanned and unstructured. Mrs. Allen said Bauer and his wife came to talk about the early days of Greenbelt. She asked Bauer if he minded if she turned on the tape recorder. The result was a tape of their talk capturing the true atmosphere of Greenbelt's early days through Bauer's reflections. Mrs. Allen added a note at the end of the tape when Bauer died a week later.

A Greenbelt resident from the summer of 1960 to November of 1977, Mrs. Allen has worked at the library since 1961 off and on, and came to the Greenbelt branch in 1967 when it consisted of only one room.

The Tugwell room is basically an archival collection of Greenbelt planning, early city directories, budgets, photographs, city council minutes, the Greenbelt News Review since the first issue, and some films and taped interviews.

Tugwell, for whom the room is named, is still living, in California at the age of 92, said Mrs. Allen. He was one of the college professors of the Roosevelt New Deal Brain Trust. Tugwell was interested in getting people out of the city and into communities such as Greenbelt. He wished for similar communities all over the country, said Mrs. Allen. Tugwell lived in

Greenbelt for several years after he retired.

Being in charge of the Tugwell room, Mrs. Allen adds materials, which are mostly gifts, copies of articles, orders books, and gives talks and tours to high school and college students, some "from as far away as Minnesota," she said.

The room "is not really geared up for an archival collection, its a small library with a small special collection," she said.

The taped interviews are few, she said, but she would like to develop an oral history collection. This would be time-consuming, she explained, as volunteers would be needed to conduct the interviews and they would need to be well-informed to ask knowledgeable questions.

Aside from the Bauer interview, Mrs. Allen recalls another interesting interview of FDR, Jr. at Greenbelt's 20th anniversary celebration.

Along with her library responsibilities, Mrs. Allen is politically active. "I've always been interested in politics," she said, "but growing up in Chicago, the chance for political involvement was microscopic." Greenbelt, she said, is "good for spreading your wings and trying it out."

Among her activities, Mrs. Allen has been a precinct chairperson, a district coordinator, and was involved with the McGovern and Spellman campaigns. Of the latter she said she "is proud and happy to have been a part of its success." We all know what happened with the McGovern campaign, she added.

Mrs. Allen has seen a great deal of change in the community over the years. When she first came to Greenbelt there was no Beltway or Springhill Lake, and there was "a good deal more of a feeling of separateness of the community." A strong feeling of community still exists, she said, but there are some big differences such as the kids not all

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On Saturday, April 28 the Jaycees installed the following officers for the year 1979-80: president, Jerry Morris; 1st vice president, Tim Polvinale; 2nd vice president, Steve Scheuch; state director, Dick French; Treasurer, Dave Ryan; secretary, Howie Globerman; di-

rectors, Bill Hayes and Tom Holland; chairman of the Board, Rick Barbour.

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Testimony at Hearing on Kenilworth-Greenbelt Rd. Interchange Strongly Favors Alternate 1

by Mary Lou Williamson

"The Greenbelt City Council considers Alternate 1 to be superior and recommends its selection," Mayor Richard Pilski told representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) at the public hearing on Thursday, March 22.

"Alternate 2 would only provide a bandaid, and the No-build Alternate is unthinkable," Councilman Gil Weidenfeld completed the picture for officials. Others at the meeting agreed.

At issue in this last public hearing is the location and design of the proposed improvement and grade separation for the congested Kenilworth Avenue/Greenbelt Road intersection. The stated purpose of the meeting, as explained by William Shook, District Engineer in charge of Highway Construction and Maintenance for District 3 (Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties), "is to allow for the exchange of information between the SHA and the public, and to assure that possible adverse economic, social, and environmental effects have been fully considered and that final decisions are made in the best overall public interest, taking into consideration the need for safe and efficient transportation."

Alternate 1 Preferred

In Alternate 1 Greenbelt Road would be depressed under Kenilworth Ave., which would remain at the existing grade level. The design would be a simple diamond shape interchange with ramps providing access between roads. All turning movements would occur on the upper level with the one exception of the heaviest left turn. In that case, eastbound Greenbelt Rd. traffic turning left onto northbound Kenilworth would take place on the lower level and would require a separate signal.

An additional signal on Kenilworth at the Edmonston Rd. connector north of the interchange would provide improved access for Springhill Lake and remove the need for weaving that takes place between the connector and the present Greenbelt Rd. intersection. By making this connector two-way, another access to Springhill Lake would be provided. Also, Edmonston Rd. could be made one-way southbound, between the connector and Greenbelt Rd., thus eliminating the need for weaving that now takes place between westbound Greenbelt Rd. traffic turning right into Edmonston and southbound Kenilworth traffic turning right onto Greenbelt Rd.

"Although more costly (to build and maintain), Alternate 1 provides a better level of service and a safer intersection," Pilski emphasized.

Elton Young, representing Springhill Lake Associates — owners and developers of both the Springhill Lake apartments and the Capital Office Park — also supported Alternate 1. While the office buildings currently under development would "not be affected by either alternate," he stated, as far as the apartment dwellers are concerned, "we have quite a stake here in what the SHA does." The primary problem, Young explained, is "getting onto the Beltway. A lot of accidents occur here where cars move (from Edmonston) onto Kenilworth heading south, weave across two lanes to turn left. During rush hour, it is practically impossible."

"While Alternate 2 helps, Alternate 1 is by far our choice!" Young asserted. If SHA does select Alternate 1 (location approval is expected by September 1979 and construction is not expected before 1982 or 1983 at the earliest), Young inquired whether the two-way Edmonston Rd. connector and signalized intersection with Kenilworth Ave. could be installed immediately.

William Armistead, Berwyn

Heights councilman, also agreed that "Alternate 1 is much the better model of the two." He pointed out that the serious problem of Berwyn Heights youngsters cutting across Greenbelt Rd. at a number of different points to and from Greenbelt Junior High School would be eliminated by a lowered roadway.

He was concerned, though, by the plight of the west-bound traffic on the Beltway that needs to turn left onto southbound Kenilworth. Increased traffic flow on the northbound lanes resulting from an improved interchange would cause increased backup on to the Beltway with either alternative. Armistead asked the planners to look into this problem.

SHA Comments

According to Project Manager Frank DeSantis, one of the advantages of depressing Greenbelt Road underneath Kenilworth Ave. "is that the natural lay of the land makes this a better engineering solution." On the other hand, he called attention to the access problems that would result for businesses on the south side of Greenbelt Rd. (particularly Greenbelt Shell) under Alternate 1. Access would be limited to right-in and right-out turning movements — the same as it is presently — but exiting cars would have to turn south onto Kenilworth Ave. or use a back exit and go around the block to gain access to through Greenbelt lanes — either east or west. Also, under Alternate 1 traffic coming from the Beltway South on Kenilworth Ave. would not be able to weave left across the depressed Greenbelt Road soon enough to use the main entrance to the Golden Triangle.

Alternate 2

No one at the hearing spoke in favor of Alternate 2, which would depress Kenilworth Ave. under Greenbelt Rd. Again the turning movements would take place at the upper level with the exception of the heaviest left turn. Here eastbound Greenbelt Rd. traffic turning left onto northbound Kenilworth would take place at the signalized intersection 450 feet further east than in Alternate 1. This location, designed to allow greater storage for the left-turn traffic, would require almost twice as much land from the Golden Triangle than would Alternate 1. However, Alternate 2 provides better access to the main entrance of the Golden Triangle.

Disadvantages

Weidenfeld brought out another potential disadvantage — the low point on Kenilworth Ave. could become flooded if the drains become clogged.

DeSantis also noted that "traffic lines forming at each end of the interchange would conflict with the adjacent signalized intersections" to the east and west.

On the other hand, he said it would be an overall advantage to interrupt the lower volume traffic flow of Greenbelt Rd. (Alt. 2) as opposed to the higher volume on Kenilworth (Alt. 1).

No-build

Only Jack Crawford favored the No-Build Alternate, saying that he was "not for spending money on roads solely for rush hour needs." A resident of Springhill Lake, Crawford said he would "like to see the U-turn problem on Kenilworth alleviated" somewhat by putting in a special U-turn lane just north of the current intersection.

SHA, however, is not expected to select this alternative. DeSantis listed the disadvantages to the No-Build Alternate as follows: (1) forced traffic conditions would continue, (2) backups during peak hours would increase, (3) periods of unacceptable conditions would increase, and (4) accident rate would continue to rise. "Also this alternate would restrict the office space development in the Golden Triangle by not increasing the capacity of the access roads and would further

restrict access to other commercial developments in the area." Therefore, DeSantis said, "The No-build Alternate is not consistent with land use plans of the area."

Thomas P. Hutchinson, representing the owners of the Golden Triangle and its developer, Kenneth Michael, stated that he was not yet prepared to comment on the alternatives. Their engineering consultants, he said, were still studying how the two designs might affect current development plans on the Triangle. Their written comments will be forwarded to SHA before April 1.

In the past Michael has not been happy with having to give up any land at this intersection. Presently, development plans for the Golden Triangle show a medical-computer condominium building on the corner site. The location of the building would have to be moved in order to accommodate either alternative.

Hutchinson told the News Review this week that he is still talking with SHA. He hopes a decision will be forthcoming soon so that development plans for the Triangle can move ahead.

What Next?

Following the public hearing, the project planning team will recommend one alternative to the administrator, Slade Caltrider. By October, 1979, Caltrider is expected to make the final decision on which alternative to design. Because the project will receive 70% federal aid, his decision is subject to Federal Highway Administration approval. The project will then move into the two-year (1980-81) design phase for which funds have already been programmed.

While the right-of-way acquisition and construction phases have not yet been funded, SHA states: "it is quite conceivable that funds will be programmed for these phases." The question remaining is a political one — how soon?

According to Steve Sarau, Highway Planning and Program Development, "the proposed improvement

is consistent with local plans and goals . . . The Master Plan (1970) states in part 'future traffic volumes will require a grade separation at Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue.' This project is intended to help create a more integrated transportation system and to enhance safe, efficient movement of people and goods while minimizing travel times."

Eileen Peterson, president of the Lakeside Citizens Association, summed up for SHA and the public alike when she said: "Do something! Please!"

RON BORGWARDT

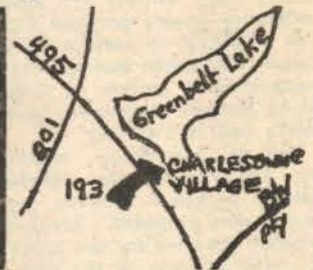
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Busy Council Session Considers PRAB and APB Recommendations

by Leta Mach

The ordinary business of administering the city dominated council's agenda on May 7, as council accepted several committee reports, introduced several resolutions for first reading, and passed two other ordinances unanimously. A charter amendment resolution to annex Greenbelt East was tabled until council's next regular meeting, while language for the annexation agreement with Greenbelt East developers is clarified.

Maternity Leave Replaced

One ordinance passed replaced "maternity leave" in the city code with "temporary disability leave". Under this new section, if an employee has no sick leave to use for a temporary disability, which could include pregnancy or childbirth, the employee could be given temporary leave without pay. Another ordinance passed provides for the use of \$19,000 in surplus funds to install new curbs and gutters and replace worn gutters on Crescent Road between Gardenway and the north end of Parkway.

Among resolutions introduced for first reading, the transfer of \$59,500 in funds between departments was proposed. Another resolution provided for one judge and 3 clerks in each of the four city precincts for the upcoming city council elections. Compensation was set at the rate of \$75 for each judge and \$60 for each clerk. An ordinance to eliminate length requirements for boats on Greenbelt Lake was introduced for first reading. City Manager James K. Giese's agenda comments noted that council had received a letter from the owner of a kayak two feet longer than present regulations allow on the lake, requesting the change. Giese felt that since all boats had to be carried to the lake, this effectively limited their size. Motor boats will still be prohibited on the lake.

PRAB Reports

Council received three Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) reports. In one report PRAB recommended that June be designated Recreation and Parks month in accordance with the national observance. Council concurred quickly by passing a motion providing for such a proclamation. In another report PRAB recommended that swimming pool fees be kept low. In response to a council referral PRAB will consider fees for city facilities and services, although it does not expect to finish before the 79/80 budget hearing. Council also accepted PRAB's report on the 79/80 budget and will consider it with the budget.

APB Report

An Advisory Planning Board (APB) report about the shortage of parking facilities at the New Carrollton Metro Station elicited the lengthiest discussion. Council supported two APB recommendations: 1) to express concern about the lack of spaces and explore solutions to the parking shortages; and 2) to urge that the Greenbelt line from Fort Totten to Greenbelt be accelerated. Council felt it did not have enough information, however, to recommend APB's third proposal to the effect that parking facilities for the Greenbelt station could be completed in the near future and a shuttle bus provided to the New Carrollton station. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld noted that with such a proposal he would like to see Cherrywood lane expanded and buses exit onto the Beltway. Council intends to discuss these proposals with WMATA in a meeting already scheduled for the near future. Councilman Thomas White noted the good bus service presently provided from Greenbelt to the New Carrollton Station.

SHA Hearing

Also on the agenda for council comment was a State Highway Administration (SHA) public hearing May 7 about modifying the intersection of I-95 and I-495. In the three alternates, I-95 would merge with I-495 with gently curved high speed ramps. It is also proposed

es to Metro stations. Having mixed emotions about the proposal, council decided to consider the matter at a work session.

Council also granted a request from Allan E. Rozánsky for a waiver of required street construction on the south of Ora Glen Drive until that part of Windsor Green is developed. Councilman Charles Schwan made it clear that this would replace a previous waiver for construction on the north side. The change was requested to conform with revised development plans calling for development on the north side of Ora Glen Drive instead of the south.

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